STATE OF NEW MEXICO BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The New Mexico Environment Department (the "Department") will hold public hearings to consider the following captioned matters on Wednesday, September 11, 2002. The hearings will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the main conference room of the Albuquerque Solid Waste Management Department, 4600 Edith N.E., Albuquerque.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE FOR A SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT FOR THE RENOVATION AND UPGRADE OF THE MONTESSA PARK SOLID WASTE CONVENIENCE CENTER

NO. SW 02-03 (P)

The Montessa Park Convenience Center is located at 3512 Los Picaros Road in Albuquerque and is accessed from South Broadway Boulevard south of Rio Bravo Boulevard. The facility receives and transports waste from citizens and businesses in the Albuquerque Metropolitan area. Municipal solid waste is placed in 117 cubic yard semi-trailers and transported to Albuquerque's Cerro Colorado landfill for disposal. Recyclable materials are also received at the facility. The existing facility (which opened in 1990) was temporarily closed in May, 2002 due to structural problems. The proposed Phase I renovation will result in a covered, semi-enclosed facility and will eliminate problems with wind blown litter. In Phase II, a larger, completely enclosed facility will be constructed. During 2001, the Montessa Park Convenience Center served over 41,000 customers, transported over 15,000 tons of solid waste to Cerro Colorado Landfill and recycled 461 tons of appliances and batteries.

The projected start-up date for the renovated (Phase I) facility is April 1, 2003. The facility will operate from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. seven days a week and will be closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE FOR THE RENEWAL OF A SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT FOR THE EAGLE ROCK SOLID WASTE CONVENIENCE CENTER

NO. SW 02-04 (PR)

The public hearing on this matter will begin at approximately 1:45 p.m. (immediately following the public hearing on the Montessa Park application).

The Eagle Rock Solid Waste Convenience Center is located at 6301Eagle Rock Avenue Northeast, between San Pedro Boulevard Northeast and Louisiana Northeast in Albuquerque. The facility, operated by the City of Albuquerque Solid Waste Management Department, was granted a ten year Solid Waste Facility Permit on December 3, 1992. The facility accepts municipal solid waste from residential and commercial customers and provides recycling bins for cardboard, newspaper, plastic, aluminum, steel cans and glass. During 2001, 30,747 tons of waste were collected at the facility and transported in 117 cubic yard semi-trailers to

Albuquerque's Cerro Colorado landfill for disposal.

The facility is open seven days a week from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. It is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

The applicant is seeking to renew Solid Waste Facility Permit No. 010225 for twenty years, the maximum term allowed under the current New Mexico Solid Waste Management Regulations or the active life of the facility, whichever is less.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE COUNTY OF BERNALILLO FOR A SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT FOR THE EAST MOUNTAIN TRANSFER STATION

NO. SW 02-05 (P)

The public hearing on this matter will begin at approximately 2:30 p.m.(immediately following the public hearing on the Eagle Rock application).

The East Mountain Transfer Station is located two miles east of the Village of Tijeras Municipal Offices at 711 New Mexico Highway 333 (Old U.S. Route 66) adjacent to Interstate Highway 40. The County proposes to upgrade the facility, which has been open for more than 20 years, to handle solid waste in a more efficient manner and to provide additional recycling/diversion services. All waste from the facility will be transported to a permitted landfill for final disposal. The East Mountain Transfer Station will continue to accept waste and recyclables from residential and small commercial generators.

The hours of operation will be seven days per week from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The applicant is seeking to obtain a Solid Waste Facility Permit for twenty years, the maximum term allowed under the current New Mexico Solid Waste Management Regulations or the active life of the facility, whichever is less.

The public hearings will be conducted in accordance with the Permit Procedures, Environment Department 20 NMAC 1.4, which may be obtained at no charge from the Hearing Clerk, Carolyn Vigil, P.O. Box 26110, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, telephone 505-827-2002, fax 505-827-0310. The Permit Procedures, Environment Department 20 NMAC 1.4 and the New Mexico Solid Waste Regulations 20 NMAC 9.1 are also available on the Department's web page at:

http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us.

Persons may speak at the public hearings or submit general written comments without filing any documents beforehand. However, any person wishing to be a party or present technical evidence at a hearing must file an "Entry of Appearance" or "Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony" with the Hearing Clerk and serve it upon other parties of record, on or before 5:00 p.m., August 28, 2002.

An Entry of Appearance shall:

a. identify the person filing the Entry of Appearance;

- b. state whether the person filing the Entry of Appearance supports or opposes the application; and
 - c. estimate how long the direct testimony or non-technical oral comment will take.

To provide a "technical" written statement or oral testimony concerning the application, persons must file a "Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony" with the Hearing Clerk, and serve it upon the other parties of record, on or before 5:00 p.m., August 28, 2002. In accordance with 20 NMAC 1.4.302, the Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony shall:

- a. identify the person filing the statement;
- b. state whether the person filing the statement supports or opposes the application;
- c. identify each witness, including name, address, affiliation(s), and educational and work background;
 - d. estimate how long the direct testimony of each witness will take;
- e. identify all exhibits which are part of the Record Proper and, for exhibits not part of the Record Proper, attach a copy;
- f. list or make available all technical materials relied upon by each witness in making each statement of technical fact or opinion contained in his or her direct testimony; and
- g. attach a summary of the testimony of each witness, stating any opinion(s) to be offered by such witness, and an explanation of the basis for such opinion(s).

Technical testimony means scientific, engineering, economic or other specialized testimony, whether oral or written, but does not include legal argument, general comments or statements of policy concerning matters at issue in the hearing.

To promote efficiency and fairness, and to avoid prejudice and surprise, a person's direct technical testimony shall be limited to the data, views and arguments raised in that person's filed Statement of Intent.

Persons having a disability and needing help in being a part of this hearing process should contact Cliff Hawley by September 1, 2002, at the New Mexico Environment Department, P.O. Box 26110, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone 505-827-2844, TDD/TDY 1-800-659-1779.

The applications may be reviewed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the following locations:

New Mexico Solid Waste Bureau, 1190 St. Francis Drive Suite 2050, Santa Fe (Contact Don Beardsley, 505-827-2952)

New Mexico Environment Department, 4131 Montgomery Blvd. NE, Albuquerque (Contact Chuck Akeley, 505-841-9469)

Carolyn Vigil, Hearing Clerk NM Environment Department